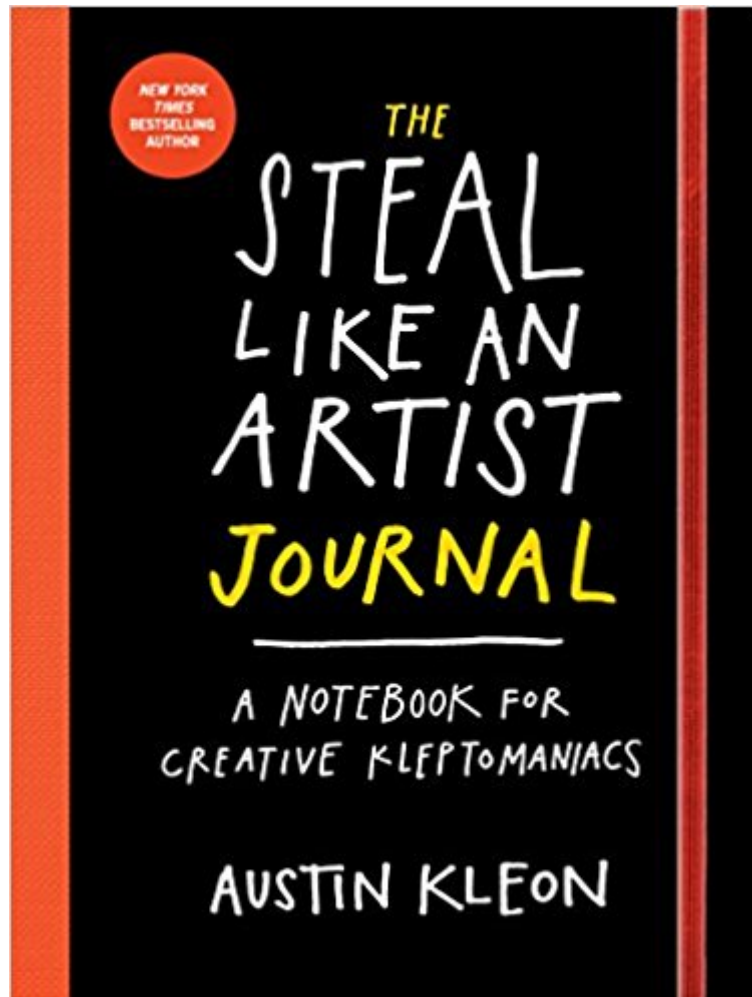


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The Steal Like An Artist Journal: A Notebook For Creative Kleptomaniacs



Synopsis

From the New York Times bestselling author of *Steal Like an Artist* and *Show Your Work!* comes an interactive journal and all-in-one logbook to get your creative juices flowing, and keep a record of your ideas and discoveries. The *Steal Like an Artist Journal* is the next step in your artistic journey. It combines Austin Kleon's unique and compelling ideas with the physical quality that makes journals like Moleskines so enormously popular. Page after page of ideas, prompts, quotes, and exercises are like a daily course in creativity. There are lists to fill in: "Ten Things I Want to Learn, Ten Things I Probably Think About More Than the Average Person. Challenges to take. Illustrated creative exercises: "Make a Mixtape (for someone who doesn't know you) and Fill in the Speech Balloons. Pro and con charts: "What Excites You?/What Drains You? The journal has an elastic band for place-marking and a special pocket in the back: "a swipe file" to store bits and pieces of inspiration. Because if you want to steal like an artist, you need a place to keep your loot.

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Customer Reviews

This journal is deceptively robust and helpful. First off, it's a journal, which means that there are many almost-blank pages for writing and drawing. If you are confused about what a journal actually is, just know that most journals are filled with blank pages waiting to be filled by the journal owner. With that out of the way, this is no ordinary journal. I said there are many 'almost-blank' pages. Nearly every page of this unique journal features a different prompt or exercise to get you started with expression. Each exercise is unique and causes you to think about and see the world in a

different way. All of Austin's ideas and exercises are fantastic. Everything is designed to get you, the journal owner and future creative powerhouse, to access and express your latent creativity, and that is why it's a magical book. It gives you a nudge in the right direction and then gets out of the way so you can do your own thing.

Just received my copy and this JOURNAL is genius! Thank you for leveraging the lessons and messages from the Steal Like an Artist and Show Your Work books. This is the perfect journal to move to after finishing both of those. This Journal has some fun questions and activities, and well as some really thought-provoking questions. Every page is set to make you create, imagine, and come up with new ideas to drive yourself forward. Like all things, this will give you what you put in it. That's why I love that there's good space to add in my own stuff. This allows the journal to be more about you than about the author, the way any Journal should be. Looking forward to filling this journal over time. @gotimgo

Just received Austin Kleon's "The Steal Like an Artist Journal: A Notebook . . ." today from ! I love the quality of the journal itself and its built-in bookmark! I purchased this journal as a gift for a relative who draws and is a performance artist! I'm so excited and proud to give this gift to such a creative soul! Love all the very clever, creative inspiring daily "jump starts", "catapults" and "keep up the momentum" liners on each page!

Loved Steal Like an Artist. Regular subscriber to Kleon's newsletter. Just got the journal this morning and immediately was enticed to dig in and start writing/playing in it. I had a lot of fun making a found text poem in it and writing about a dream I had, neither of which I'd normally do on my own without the book so I'd call that a significant thing. I have many writing exercise books collecting dust on my shelves and only a few that have gotten me writing more and/or better, this is one of those books that I think I'll actually use. I like that the exercises are short, fun, no pressure, but could yield a poem or spark a piece of prose. It also has a nice little pocket in the back for stashing clippings etc. which is a nice touch. I bought one as a secret santa gift for my writers group and one for me. If you're shopping for a writer or artists friend, just buy it for them already. :)

While I think this is another clever workbook to release a person's creativity, it really is for beginners to keep these thoughts in the forefront. For those of us with lots of history of reading, doing, working with students, etc., and buying, reading and doing dozens of these kinds of materials, it probably

isn't going to bring about the new all that much. Yes, it is up to the reader, but most of the prompts are relatively mild, while a few are pretty good. So often these types of workbooks are just filled with events for the reader, not helping to develop a process they can actually use. What I recommend for the seasoned creationists is to make their own creative journal. And at the end of this book the author does recommend to keep it going by readers creating their own journal, but by then you've bought the book.

Earlier this year, I read (and loved) both STEAL LIKE AN ARTIST and SHOW YOUR WORK, so when Austin Kleon announced that he was creating a journal to help others think more creatively and apply some of his techniques to their own work, I immediately pre-ordered it. When it came, I started paging through it. Some pages practically begged to be filled in immediately (captions for triangles and circles, tip jar wars), whereas others will require more time and thought (write fan mail to whom? what title would I like to steal to write my own story with?). In fact, I loved the book so much I immediately ordered another copy to give my son. Highly recommend this for anyone who wants to try to capture some creative thoughts and isn't quite sure how, or even someone who already keeps a journal but would like some external prompts to think in different directions occasionally.

if you're thinking a journal has all blank pages your going to have to re-imagine that! This journal asks you questions to spur creativity. Some you will find easy, others difficult, PLUS all (at least for me) are fun and changing how I think. Join the community and check out what other people are doing <https://instagram.com/explore/tags/stealjournals/>

I'm a big fan of Austin Kleon's and this book, it brings back memories. I learned to draw from a book called "Draw Squad" with my dad walking me through the exercises in that; similarly off beat drawing exercises per page. This is a throw back to my childhood when I learned to draw, but this has a wider variety of interesting, creative games in it. It's fun and it's eye opening, I like it myself and I think it would be a nice present to that creative person in your life. Each page basically has a little game/task/exercise that incorporates creativity, drawing, writing, etc. It's good fun!

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